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The invention relates to copolymers of formula (I) wherein R^1 is hydrogen, a C_1 - C_5 -alkyl radical or C_2 - C_5 -alkenyl radical which can also contain heteroatoms, an acid group or an aliphatic or aromatic group comprising 1 - 50 carbon atoms, including an acid group, R^2 and R^3 independently represent hydrogen, methyl and/or ethyl, n ranges from 0 - 100, and m ranges from 3 to 30, and k ranges from 1 - 200, and A is hydrogen, an acid group, a C_1 - C_5 -alkyl radical or a C_2 - C_8 -alkenyl radical which can also contain heteroatoms, an aliphatic or aromatic group comprising 1 - 50 carbon atoms, including an acid group, or a copolymer unit of formula (II), wherein R^4 is hydrogen, a C_1 - C_5 -alkyl radical or a C_2 - C_5 -alkenyl radical which can also contain heteroatoms, an acid group or an aliphatic or aromatic group comprising 1 - 50 carbon atoms, including an acid group, R^5 is hydrogen, methyl and/or ethyl, x ranges from 0 to 100, and y ranges from 3 -30, wherein, if A is formula (2), R^1 represents hydrogen or an acid group.

